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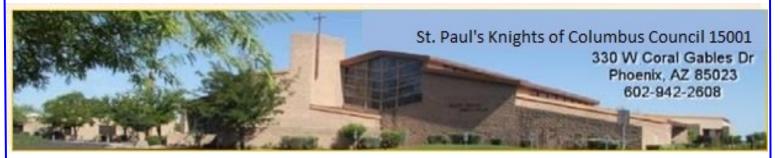
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### October Is Rosary Celebration Month





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### <u>Council 15001</u>

Your Officers for 2023-2024

Grand Knight......Daniel McGinn, GK Chaplain.....Fr. Dindo "Bruno" Cuario Asst. Chaplain.....Fr. Ishaya Samaila Deputy Grand Knight...Charley Billingsley Chancellor.....Ed Fischer Financial Secretary......Kirk LaPlante, PGK Treasurer......Jim Cairo Trustee 3 yr.....Francis Abijaoude, PGK Trustee 2 yr......Richard Diefendorf, PGK Trustee 1 yr.....Al Gillis, PGK Advocate......Gary Schulte, PGK Recorder.....Andy Picard Warden.....Artie Hauer Inside Guard.....Tom Roggenkamp Outside Guard (1).....Fred Cosme Outside Guard (2).....Nathan Duncan

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4th Degree Coordinator...Gary Schulte, PGK

Remember—One new member, per Council, per month.

This is the desire
of the Supreme Knight.
Can you help us make it happen?

Fall—it is the time of year when we think about the end of the monsoon rains and the start of cooler weather. It is a time when the leaves may fall off some of the trees. It is also a time when we start to fall into other habits. Yes, at the end of October we have Halloween and we mostly fall for the ads for candy and treats for the kids or the early start of Thanksgiving and Christmas. Each year we fall for the idea of "falling" in with others to enjoy this time of year.

But, do we fall in line with the idea of wanting or needing to do something that is different? How about the idea of falling in line for praying at Planned Parenthood? How about falling in line for going to the Adoration Chapel? Most of us want to do our "thing", but we want to do it at a pace and leisure more in line with what we think is easy.

Let's not fall for the old mantra of "someone else will do it"! No, we are the ones who have to do it. It takes each of us through our Unity to become a part of the whole—the Fraternity. Think about Bingo where we only have a handful of Knights who are helping, yet we have many who could come and either help out or play the games as well.

I'm not saying that we have to fall in line and do what everyone else is doing, but rather doing something extra, a little different than what we are used to doing. Now that Brother Frank Dzielak will be soon on his way to live near his daughter in California, our choir is down one important member. Who of us will take it upon themselves to fill the void that will be left behind? Now is the chance to not fall into the habit of letting someone else do the work, but it can be a chance to help out where help is most needed.

Soon we will be asking members to help out with preparations for lighting the campus for the holidays. Last year the lights were not tested in advance and it caused a delay and bad weather made the work difficult.

Let's not fall into the habit of walking away from work. Let us instead fall into the habit of offering our help when we see a task being done. You don't always have to be invited—you can always offer to help. Vivat Jesus!

For Fraternal Year 2023-2024

The State Theme is:

**Faith Over Culture** 





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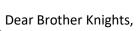
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### **Grand Knight's Column**

#### **Unity: The Second Principle of Our Order**



Grand Knight
Daniel McGinn

None of us individually is as good as when together it is all of us. As members of the Knights of Columbus, we all know that together we can accomplish far more than any of us could individually. So, we really stick together and support one another.

That doesn't mean that we always agree or that there are never differences of opinion. It does mean that—as a Knight of Columbus—you can count on the support and encouragement of your Brother Knights as you work to make life better in your parish and community.



Father Michael McGivney founded the Knights during a time of widespread anti-Catholic and a lot of anti-immigrant sentiment. But because the Knights of Columbus were united by timeless values and faith, the Order was able to offer an opportunity for men to serve their communities and countries in a manner that overcame divisions and built a unified brotherhood through which members could financially and spiritually support each other.

Pope Francis states: "Let us set out each day praying for one another, working together as witnesses of the peace of Jesus, by persevering in the same journey by our practical acts of charity and unity. In all things, let us love one another from the heart."

As a Council, we create unity in many ways. We support one another through fraternity and prayer, especially in times of need. All of our programs and events, such as the Arizona Rosary Celebration and Bingo, unite us as Catholics and as a parish community—certainly building unity. The support of our charities extends unity into the lives of so many others.

As Knights, are we doing all we can to build unity in our own lives? Could we be doing more to reach out to support our own families, friends, parishioners and Brother Knights? Make that phone call. Send that text message or email. Send a sympathy card. Pray for each other. Sometimes, even the smallest gestures make a bigger impact than we can imagine.

The principle of Unity is essential for the Order to achieve its mission of serving God, Church and country.

Unity is also important for our own lives and for our communities. Please spend some time reflecting on Unity and building bridges.

Vivat Jesus!

Dan McGinn Grand Knight



### **In Memoriam**

### Diane Jean Maxwell Russell June 28, 1942—September 17, 2023



It is with sadness that we have to report the loss of a spouse of one of our Brother Knights. PGK Tom Russell's beloved wife Diane Russell went to her reward in Heaven on Sunday September 17th after a long illness. Her funeral Mass and internment were completed on Saturday September 30th. Preceding the Mass, at 6:30 PM on Friday, September 29th at Hansen Mortuary Chapel, located at 7th Street, there was a Rosary at 6:45 PM. Then on Saturday, September 30th, the Funeral Mass was held at St. Paul's Church at 9:00 AM.

Dianne was known for being cast, by Walt Disney himself, as Alice in Wonderland for the 1964 World's Fair. She was also known for having a heart for service and contributing to her faith community. She volunteered at St. Paul's Catholic Church as a member of the Women's Guild and the Phoenix Women's Clinic was near and dear to her heart. We ask that you keep her and the Russell family in your prayers.

#### Interment

The interment followed immediately after the Funeral Mass at Holy Redeemer Cemetery, located at 23015 Cave Creek Road.

#### Celebration of life

A celebration of life was held at PGK Tom Russell's home, located at 15221 N. 10th Place, following the interment. Tom requests that donations be made to Life Choice Women's Clinic in lieu of flowers.



Saying the rosary at Hansen Mortuary on the Friday evening were: PGK Tom Nash, PGK Dief Diefendorf, PGK Al Gillis, PGK Gary Schulte and PGK Kirk LaPlante.















### 24 Hours Is All It Takes

By becoming a Knight and giving just 24 hours a year, a man can be a better Catholic, father, and husband and make a difference in the Church and his community. Some men don't think they have time to join the Knights. Ask them if they have just 24 hours. In just that short time frame, men can be a better Catholic, father and husband and part of a great Catholic brotherhood. Here's how the hours break down:



- 8 HOURS a year working with your Council on charitable projects for the local church or community.
- 4 HOURS a year enjoying a Council function with their entire family.
- 4 HOURS a year attending Council meetings to help plan future activities.
- **6 HOURS** a year (half an hour a month) reading the Knights' magazine Columbia, www.kofc.org, K of C social media and other publications.
- **1 HOUR** a year meeting with a Knights of Columbus insurance agent for a free analysis of insurance needs and learning about the exclusive, top-rated programs available only to members and their families.
- 1 HOUR a year attending Mass together with your council.
- That's only 24 hours a year. It's not a lot of time but it is time well spent. It's rewarding. It's life changing.

John Van Cuyk Chairman S.E.T.

### S.E.T. Remains as Very IMPORTANT

Well, it's that time of year when we need to remind all our Knights that they need to prepare to complete our Safe Environment training course for 2023-2024.

For those Knights who have completed the course, already, thank you. If you have completed the course, please send me your S.E.T. Certification ASAP.

Should you have any questions or need help, please feel free to contact Joseph "Joe" Castellarin at <a href="IT@stpaulsphoenix.org">IT@stpaulsphoenix.org</a> or you can contact the diocese directly using their phone number 602-354-2000 during business hours.

Thank you for everything that you do for the Knight of Columbus at St. Paul's. It is because of you that Council 15001 is one of the best, if not the best, Council in Arizona!

**VIVAT Jesus** 

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### Seven Parishioners Prayed The Rosaries At Planned Parenthood

On Sunday, September 10th, four Knights and 3 wives prayed the rosary at Planned Parenthood. We would really like to see more members and families coming out to help us with this most needed of works of the Council.



### **Shredding Event In October**

Shredding Event will be coming up October 14th, from 8AM-Noon in the parking lot at St Paul's Catholic Church, 330 W. Coral Gables in Phoenix. Hope to see friends, family, small business owners and neighbors bright and early! Need some volunteers to help move items from cars to the shredding truck.

Here are some pictures from past events:

















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### <u>Family of the Month—August 2023</u> The Collins Family



Left to Right: Jill Collins, Jaeguen Kim, Daesung Kim, Grand Knight Dan McGinn.

Council 15001's Family of the Month Selection Committee would like to introduce the Collins Family as the August 2023 Knights of Columbus Family of the Month. Jill Collins has been parishioner at St Paul's for 35 years. She works for and volunteers for the St Vincent De Paul as a grant writer raising money for their many ambitious, worthwhile and much needed services.

Jill has two children—Daesung 12, and Jaeguen 8. The boys attend the Great Hearts Academy school in Phoenix. Daesung is in the 7th and Jaeguen is in the 3rd Grade. They have been involved in the St. Paul's Boy Scouts and are participating in the Boys Team Charity performing various civic and volunteer activities.

Jill along with her two sons participate in the St Paul's Faith Formation Program. The boys received their sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation this summer at St Paul's. The family regularly practices their faith by stating something they are grateful for followed by prayer.

Our Grand Knight, Dan McGinn presented their Family of the Month Certificate. The ceremony ended with a family blessing from Father Ishaya.

### 2023 Aid to Women's Center Gala

On Saturday September 16, 2023, the 2023 Aid to Women's Center Gala was held at the Arizona Grand Resort. The Aid to Women center is a non-profit center that seeks to help women in need by providing resources and assistance needed for a woman to chose life for their unborn child.

The members and their wives in attendance (from left to right): Lori and Ed Fischer, Gary and Susan DeGregorio, Janet and Kirk LaPlante, and Phil Tabbita.



### A Thank you and Well Wishes to a Valued Council Member

As most of us know, Francis Dzielak is moving to California to be closer to his daughter Katie Sue Dzielak and will be moving in October.

Our Grand Knight Dan McGinn took some time at the of our September business meeting to present him with a certificate of appreciation for his time and energy he dedicated to our Council.



### **Farewell Sister Georgina**

Prior to the start of her trip back home, Worthy Grand Knight Dan McGinn is shown presenting Sister Georgina with a card and gift.



### **Promoting the Domestic Church— Families**









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The Knights of Columbus Order has always been interested in the development of strong and vibrant families. To support this philosophy and to create an awareness of many of our parish families, our Knights of Columbus Supreme Council, located in New Haven, Connecticut started the "Family of the Month" program in 1978. The "Family of the Month" program has become a successful part of our "Faith in Action" program.

### **Family of the Month**

The Knights of Columbus "Family of the Month" Program promotes and recognizes families who outwardly exhibit strong ties of love and faith, demonstrating Catholic family values, and how the family makes meaningful contributions to our parish and the community.

Our Council has established a "Family of the Month" committee whose responsibility it will be to select a "Family of the Month". The committee is made up of our St. Paul's Knights of Columbus Council members and the St. Paul's parish staff. We are working together to get recommendations for selecting a "Family of the Month". Our "Family of the Month" committee is not looking for "Super Families", but we are looking for families who live traditional Catholic family values like:

- Is the family tight knit? Does the family spend quality time together?
- Does the family attend weekly Mass together? Does the family pray together outside of Mass?
- Has the family made significant contributions to the parish and church community?
- Does the family serve as a model of Catholic family values?

On the 15th day of each month — from August through July — the "Family of the Month" submissions will be drawn at random from entries received at our Supreme Council offices in New Haven, Connecticut. Each of the selected families will receive a special Holy Family gift, and a personal letter of congratulations from our Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly. These items will be mailed directly to the family's home address.

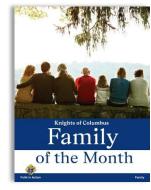
### Family of the Year

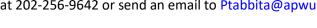
Our "Family of the Month" Committee is also participating in selecting a "Family of the Year". The "Family of the Year" selection process is the same as the "Family of the Month".

An eligible Family of the Year" recipient **must be** a Knights of Columbus family that has been selected in the last 12 months. Our committee will consider whether the family has continued to show the traits of a strong Catholic family as well as them promoting the principles of our Church and the principles of the Order of the Knights of Columbus.

The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council will then make a "Family of the Year" selection from all the entries received from all of the Knights of Columbus State Councils. The "Family of the Year" will be invited to attend the annual Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention where a special presentation will be made.

If you know a Catholic family you would like us to recognize, please call our Family of the Month Chairman, Phil Tabbita, PGK, at 202-256-9642 or send an email to Ptabbita@apwu.org





### Family Of The Month For October

The Domestic Church is for families who are living and practicing their faith. The Knights of Columbus Family of the Month program supports the Domestic Church, highlighting the outstanding families at St. Paul.

For October, the Knights of Columbus selected the Farina family as Family of the Month. The family was escorted by Grand Knight Dan McGinn to receive a blessing from our Assistant Council Chaplain Fr. Ishaya.

Leonard, the head of the household, grew up Catholic. In the last few years, he led his family in a renewal of faith. Although a good distance away, they found a home a St. Paul, registering in the parish in 2022.

Morgan began RCIA classes and converted to Catholicism with their receipt of sacraments at the Easter services this year. Desiring a life closer to her faith values, Morgan switched jobs to work at Grand Canyon University enrolling students for advanced degrees.

Marciano, their nine-year-old son, was baptized in April 2022. He read at noon Mass on the first Sunday of the month and Marciano continues with Faith Formation.

The family attends Mass together. Of note is their daily prayer exercise with grace before a meal. At that time, family members are encouraged to state something for which they are grateful. Grace is a part of meals with extended family and friends and at restaurants. Marciano is always ready to lead the prayer.



### **Farewell Sister Georgina**

Dear Sister Georgina,

You have been a gift from God to St. Paul's. We have been blessed by your presence and faith over the past two years. Your smile is so contagious and lights up the room. We will miss you greatly.

The St. Paul's Knights of Columbus wish you many blessings as you continue God's work. You will always be in our thoughts and prayers.

Vivat Jesus!

Sincerely,

On behalf of the entire members of Council 15001

Dan McGinn, Grand Knight



### **Mass Intentions for the Dearly Departed**

Our Financial Secretary, Kirk LaPlante has requested Mass intentions for our departed Brother Knights. The Mass schedule and times for each of our members is:

**Brother Thomas Long** October 1, 2023 Sunday @ 12:00 p.m.

**Brother Charles Kime** October 9, 2023 & December 10, 2023 Sunday 12:00 p.m. Mass

**Brother Thomas Goss** October 11, 2023 & December 17, 2023 Sunday, 7:30 a.m. Mass

**Brother Michael Robinson** TBD **TBD** 

### A "Callout" to our Knights as St. Paul's Minsters

As we all know, St Paul's is currently struggling to find enough Liturgical Ministers to cover all Mass times without having many individuals serve every week. If you are interested in serving in a liturgical ministry, or just want to know more, please contact any of the ministry leaders listed below.

- ◆ Lay Ministry of the Eucharist: Dr. Elly Monroe, e-mail: drelly7@cox.net
- Ministry of Altar Servers: Jeanne Cosme, e-mail: jeannecosme@76@gmail.com
- Ministry of Cantors and Music: Jojo Concepcion, e-mail: music@stpaulsphoenix.org
- Ministry of Hospitality (Ushers): David Sedlmeier, e-mail: davidsedlmeier@yahoo.com
- Ministry of Lectors: Claire Granger, e-mail: claire.granger@cox.net
- ◆ Minister of Sacristan: Frances D'Angelo, e-mail: fdangelo@msn.com
- Ministry of Pastoral Care: Mary Harvey, e-mail: maryharvey@cox.net
- Ministry of Rosary Leaders: Gloria Santos, e-mail: gsant6.gs@gmail.com











### Bingo Knight—September 23, 2023



Our Council hosted a Bingo Knight on September 23, 2023, on our campus. The location was changed to the conference center—where we had great fun and fellowship by all who attended.

Our Bingo Knight enabled us to raise money for our worthy Council charities.

We had new, old and repeat game winners throughout the evening. (*Photos courtesy of Mary Hauer*)















#### Dear Brothers,

I am writing to express my appreciation for your participation in our BINGO fundraising event on Saturday, either working and/or participating with family and friends. Call out to Donna Gillis and Angie McGinn for bringing lots of family and friends ... it seems they were the BIG winners this time!!! And it was nice to see Nadine Swartz (thanks Dief/Mac) and Judy Mackin in the crowd!! If my memory serves me correctly, both Nadine and Mac won one of the games!!!

If you have any suggestions for how we can improve our next Bingo night, please feel free to share them with me. I want to thank you again for making our Bingo fundraiser a success.

I am pleased to report that we raised a total of \$765! Here is a more detailed summary of the financial results:

Activity	Income	Expense	Net
Bingo	\$960	\$551	\$400
Food	\$288	\$100	\$188
50/50 Raffle	\$142	\$0	\$0
Dauber Sales	\$26	\$0	\$27

Vivat Jesus!!

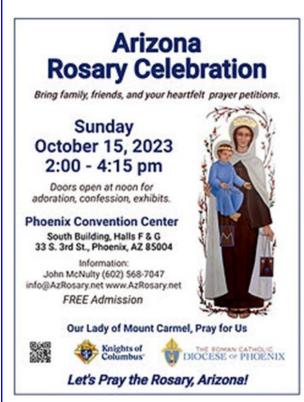
Kirk - D. Kirk LaPlante, F.S.

#### **Attention Golfers**

Are there any avid golfers in our Council who wish to make a road trip to Tucson? If so, then please contact Kirk LaPlante and let him know if you have an interest so a carpool can be coordinated. His email is: <a href="mailto:dklaplante@gmail.com">dklaplante@gmail.com</a>



### **2023 Arizona Rosary Celebration**



The planning for upcoming 2023 Arizona Rosary Celebration is underway. This year's celebration will honor Mary under her title of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. The Phoenix Celebration is scheduled for October 15, 2023 at the Phoenix Convention Center. If you are interested in volunteering or want to place some advertising in the program book, please send an e-mail to info@AZRosary.net

Our Lady of Mount Carmel or Virgin of Carmel, is the title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary in her role as patroness of the Carmelite Order, which is particularly done within the Catholic Church. The first Carmelites were Christian hermits living on Mount Carmel in the Holy Land during the late 12th and early to mid—13th century. They built in the hermitages a chapel which they dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, whom they conceived of in chivalric terms as the "Lady of the Place." Our Lady of Mount Carmel was adopted in the 19th century as the patron saint of Chile.

Since the 15th century, popular devotion to Our Lady of Mount Carmel has centered on the Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, also known as the Brown Scapular. Traditionally, Mary is said to have given the Scapular to an early Carmelite named Simon Stock (1165–265). The liturgical feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is celebrated on July 16th.

### <u>2023 Arizona Rosary Celebration — October 14 & 15, 2023</u> Honoring Mary Under Her Title Our Lady of Mount Carmel

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for the Arizona Rosary Celebration, please send an e-mail to info@azrosary.net St Paul's prayer intention box is located in the narthex of the church.

### Saturday October 14, 2023

5:00 P.M. Mass —St Paul's Catholic Church
6:00 P.M. Holy Hour —St Paul's Catholic Church
7:00 P.M. Dinner St Paul's—O-Carroll Hall
(For Dinner Reservations please visit www.azrosary.net

### Sunday October 15, 2023

Bus Transportation is being sponsored by our Council.

The bus leaves St. Paul's at 12:30 p.m. and it will return by 5:00 p.m.

A \$10.00 donation per person is suggested to cover the cost.

Downtown Phoenix Convention Center

33 South 3rd Street Phoenix, Arizona 85004

South Building, Halls F & G

Most Reverend Bishop John Dolan Presiding

Program featuring Special Guest Speaker:

Sister Regina Marie Gorman O.C.D.

Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles

### **Fourth Degree News and Notes**

## Bishop William Z. Gomes Assembly #1805

By: SK Ted Cherekos

Each month, we would like to include news and notes about the 4th Degree of our Order. Several of our Council members belong to the 4th Degree, and are members the "Bishop William Z .Gomes Assembly #1805". The members meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church at 11020 N 40th Street. The church is located between Shea Blvd. and Cactus Rd. If you are



currently a 3rd Degree member in good standing and you are interested in becoming member in the 4th Degree, please contact Gary Schulte PFN for more information and an application Form 4.

Please help support our Assembly's member Council with their upcoming fundraiser. The details are:

St Luke's Parish — "Journey of Faith" Council 10832 — Octoberfest, taking place October 20-23, 2023

Each "Degree" of the Knights of Columbus is associated with a particular virtue with the three being—Charity, Unity, and Fraternity, and the Fourth Degree being "Patriotism" or as it commonly known as "The Patriotic Degree".

If you are interested in joining the "Patriotic" Degree, please contact Gary Shulte, PFN or SK Ted Cherekos to obtain more information and an application form.

If you are interested in attending a 4th Degree exemplification, there will be two opportunities First in North Phoenix— which will be in November and second in Sun City—January. Dates and locations to be determined.

#### Halloween Comes to America

Did you know? One quarter of all the candy sold annually in the U.S. is purchased for Halloween.

The celebration of Halloween was extremely limited in colonial New England because of the rigid Protestant belief systems there. Halloween was much more common in Maryland and the southern colonies.

As beliefs and customs of different European ethnic groups and the American Indians meshed, a distinctly American version of Halloween began to emerge. The first celebrations included "play parties," which were public events held to celebrate the harvest. Neighbors would share stories of the dead, tell each other's fortunes, dance and sing.

Did you know? More people are buying costumes for their pets. Americans spent nearly \$500 million on costumes for their pets in 2021—more than double what they spent in 2010.

Colonial Halloween festivities also featured the telling of ghost stories and mischief-making of all kinds. By the middle of the 19th century, annual autumn festivities were common, but Halloween was not yet celebrated everywhere in the country.

In the second half of the 19th century, America was flooded with new immigrants. These new immigrants, especially the millions of Irish fleeing the Irish Potato Famine, helped to popularize the celebration of Halloween nationally.

#### **History of Trick-or-Treating**

Borrowing from European traditions, Americans began to dress up in costumes and go house to house asking for food or money, which was a practice that eventually became today's "trick-or-treat" tradition. Young women believed that on Halloween they could divine the name or appearance of their future husband by doing tricks with yarn, apple parings or mirrors.

In the late 1800s, there was a move in America to mold Halloween into a holiday more about community and neighborly get-togethers than about ghosts, pranks aft. At the turn of the century, Halloween parties for both children and adults became the most common way to celebrate the day. Parties focused on games, foods of the season and festive costumes.

Parents were soon encouraged by newspapers and community leaders to take anything "frightening" or "grotesque" out of Halloween celebrations. Because of these efforts, Halloween lost most of its superstitious and religious overtones by the beginning of the twentieth century.

And now you know!

### KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS—YOUR SHIELD FOR INSURANCE FOR LIFE

#### Can anyone purchase life insurance from the Knights of Columbus?

The Knights of Columbus Insurance program is available to members of the Order and their families. Practical Catholic males, age 18 or older, are eligible to join.

#### What are my life Insurance Needs?

Your life insurance needs depend on your current and future financial obligations. Your field agent who is also a Brother Knight is available to meet with you at your convenience and analyze the needs of you and your family.

#### What Is A Premium?

A premium is the amount of money you pay for your insurance policy. Premiums can be fixed or flexible, depending on your coverage.

#### Who Is A Beneficiary?

A beneficiary is the person (or persons) who will receive the proceeds of your life insurance policy when you die.

#### What is Underwriting?

Underwriting is the process through which insurers evaluate the risk of insuring a person and use that information to determine eligibility and set premium pricing for insurance policies.

#### What Is A Rider?

A policy rider is an additional benefit under an existing insurance policy that provides additional coverage.

#### What if I already have insurance coverage with my employer?

Keep in mind that even if you already have life insurance coverage with your employer, your coverage may not be enough, your employee benefits are not guaranteed, and if you leave your company, you cannot take your life insurance with you. It's important to review your insurance policy periodically to make sure it still meets your financial needs.

#### What is a life insurance rate class?

A rate class is a risk category assigned by the company based on your health and medical records. Your rating class will help determine the premium on your life insurance policy.

#### Is the Knights of Columbus financially strong?

With over \$100 Billion of life insurance in force, \$24 Billion of assets under management, and 42 consecutive years of superior ratings for financial strength from A.M. Best\*, you can be confident in the guarantees that you receive from the Knights of Columbus.

\*Currently rated A+ (Superior) by A.M. Best.

#### What is the Knights of Columbus' investment strategy?

We have always maintained very high standards for the investments we make, putting our assets only into investment-grade bonds and the highest-quality equities. We do not invest in junk bonds or in risky investment instruments.



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Our unwavering commitment to our Catholic faith and to the Catholic families entrusted to our care also means that we must do business the right way.

As a matter of principle, we will not invest in companies that deal in abortions, contraception, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, for-profit health care that pays for any of the aforementioned, and pornography.

Member since 2005

Protecting Catholic families since 1882

Life Insurance • Long-Term Care Insurance Retirement Annuities • Disability Insurance

### Birthdays—October 2023

October 02	Scott Kasalis	1000	October 03	Carmen Samudio
October 04	Rev. David Loeffler		October 15	Vicki Pettit
October 06	Jim Gentner		October 16	Jo Karl
October 06	Rev. Dino"Bruno"Cuario	A	October 21	Judy Mackin
October 09	Tom Roggenkamp		October 28	Dema Schulte
October 09	Bill Castellarin			
October 12	Tom Nash			
October 15	Shawn Smith			
October 21	Edward Cunningham			
October 23	Greg Huelskamp			
October 24	Michael Aguilar			
October 27	James Cairo			

**NOTE:** Wives' birthday list was taken from the Council Membership Survey which was turned in by members of the Council.

We would really like every member to complete this survey

so that we can have the most complete and accurate birthday listing available

### **Our Knights In Action**

During the past Fraternal Year, PGK Richard Diefendorf sent a full year listing of the types of volunteer service hours, in a form format, to each member. We will try to continue that by providing a two-month list for you to fill out and give to the Financial Secretary. You may also include any ministries that your wife and family participate in. This means that you may include time for any and all parish ministries: EM, Adorer, Usher, Lector, Altar Server, Dusting Angels, RCIA, teaching or assisting at Catechesis, prayer shawls, decorating the Church at Christmas and Easter, attending Degree ceremonies, and of course the picnic and Campus cleanup. These are only a few of the things we and our Families do.

#### **Monthly Record of Volunteer Service Hours for Council 15001**

<u>September</u>	
Safe Environment Training	
2nd Sunday P.P. Rosary	
Bingo	
Servers	
EM	
Lector	
Adoration	
Other:	

<u>October</u>
Diocesan Rosary Sunday
Ministry Fair
2nd Sunday P.P. Rosary
Donut Sunday
Servers
EM
Lector
Adoration
Other:



# October 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Donut Sunday	2	3	4 General Meeting Conference Room 7:00 p.m.	5	6	7
8 Rosary at Planned Parenthood	9	10	11 .	12	13	14 Arizona Rosary Celebration Dinner 5:00 p.m. O'Carroll Hall
15 Arizona Rosary Celebration Rosary Bowl Off Campus	16 Officers' Meeting 7:00 p.m. Conference Room	17	18	19 Assembly 1805 Meets at St. Joseph's 7:00 p.m.	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 Halloween				

### **Upcoming Events For September/October 2023**

#### October 2023

- Oct. 01 Donut Sunday
- Oct. 01 Family of the Month at 9:30 a.m. Mass
- Oct. 04 General Membership Meeting 7:00 p.m. Conference Room
- Oct. 08 Rosary at Planned Parenthood
- Oct. 14 Arizona Rosary Celebration Dinner 5:00 p.m. O'Carroll Hall
- Oct. 15 Arizona Rosary Celebration—Off Campus
- Oct. 16 Officers' meeting

#### **November 2023**

- Nov. 01 General Membership Meeting 7:00 p.m. Conference Room
- Nov. 05 Donut Sunday & Family of the Month
- Nov. 12 Rosary at Planned Parenthood
- Nov. 18 Bingo 7PM O'Carroll Hall
- Nov. 19 Blood Drive 8 a.m. in Conference Room
- Nov. 20 Officers' Meeting 7:00 p.m. Conference Room



This applies to the Flu, RSV Virus and Covid!



Remember: Hot water and soap will shorten the life of a virus. Also, wearing a mask may also make a difference.

<u>Attention All Event Chairmen</u>: After your event, please ensure that photos are sent to your Newsletter Editor for inclusion in the next newsletter.

#### **Prayer to End Abortion**



We often discuss in the newsletters and during General Meetings the need to have Rosary Saturday which is the second Saturday of each month. While many of you are able to take some time out of your valuable day, it would be a great example to yourselves, your family and your parish to make an appearance as often as possible. Every prayer is valuable to you and to our Blessed Mother Mary. It is through Her that we ask for God's intercession to stop the needless killing of convenience that is occurring. So once again, we ask you to try to come to as many of the Rosary Saturdays as possible during each year.

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, And for the lives of all my Brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion,

Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son.
I am ready to do my part in ending abortion.
Today I commit myself
Never to be silent,
Never to be passive,

Never to be forgetful of the unborn.

I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement,

And never to stop defending life

Until all my Brothers and sisters are protected,

And our nation once again becomes
A nation with liberty and justice

Not just for some, but for all.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen!

### For Those Who Are Sick & Distressed

Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness.

Hear the prayers we offer for our sick of distressed Brothers or their relatives:

Brothers Bill O'Connell, Don Kolb, Manuel Flores, David Earl, Luiz Torrez, James Wayne, Terra Billingsley (wife of Charley), Diane Russell (wife of Tom), Lila Van Cuyk (wife of John), Jonathan Hauer (son of Brother Artie Hauer), Greg Ruiz (brother of Michael Aguilar), Brian Dowd (friend of Gary DeGregorio), and Brian's wife Theresa, and their family, Mary Weege (widow of Ernie), Dan Weege (son of Ernie).



Repose of the soul of Brothers—Michael Robinson, Michael Murphy, Ken Long, Chuck Kime, Diane Russell, Mother of Cathy Blome as well as all the Widows of our Fallen Brothers

May all who suffer pain, illness or disease realize that they are chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Always keep in mind the unborn who were never given a chance of life.

### Catholic Prayer for those who have passed

"Loving God our Father, Your power brings us to life.

Your care guides our lives,
and by Your command we return to the dust from which we came.

Father, those who pass on still live in Your presence, their lives are changed but do not end. I plead in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known only to You.

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